

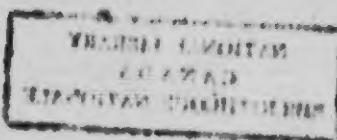
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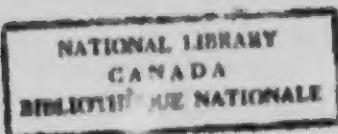
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This is an age of transition; old ideas are being discarded and new ones are coming to the front in such numbers as to cause unbounded confusion. The unchurched are a bigedly, pigedly confused mass of so-called freethinkers, rationalists, atheists, socialists, evolutionists, anarchists, and new theologists. The Churches are also in a confused state. The Bible and Jesus form their rallying points, but there are so many theories about the Bible and Jesus as there are hairs on a dog's back.

As a humble representative of the great school of Stoic Philosophy, I am trying to attack the Bible and Christianity on moral grounds.

I attach no importance whatever to the evolution theory, and I absolutely repudiate atheism as being a mere foolish bravado, but it would be waste of time to discuss with many people, particulary those who have the atheistio, evolutionist, anarchistic or socialistic bee in their bonnets. Men whose minds are occupied with one idea are practically of little importance in a world of thought.

It is a good thing to believe in a God provided you have a good God, but belief in a bad God is the worst calamity that can befall humanity. It is also a good thing to have a religion providing you have a good religion, but a bad religion is a bad thing for the individual and for a nation.

I maintain that many of the ideas about God contained in the book called the Bible are the most ridiculous to be found in any book of Folklore ancient or modern.

Very few people have such good memories as to be able to refer offhand to the passages they wish to refer to. I

herefore offer this concordance as a ready reference to the 'passages in the Bible most useful for conducting a rationalistic anti-biblical campaign preparatory to the introduction of the more superior system of ethics taught by Confucius, the Ancient Stoics and the modern Philosophers of the positive, pragmatic and utilitarian schools.

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ABRAHAM—The father of the faithful, and a personal friend of the Hebrew God. II. Chrs. 20, V. 7. Is. 41 V. 8. James 2, V. 28. Marries his own half sister. Gen. 20 V. 12. Takes Hagar for a concubine with his wife; Sarah's consent, Gen. 16, V. 1. Loans his wife for immoral purposes, Gen. 12, V. 13,15 Gen. 20, V. 1-2. Sends Hagar, his concubine, and his son by her adrift in the wilderness with only a bottle of water, Gen. 21, V. 14.

ACHAN—When every man, woman and child, and even the animals in Jericho were all slaughtered by Joshua at the command of God—except Rahab the harlot, Achan saw some old clothes and some silver and gold lying about without an owner. For thus appropriating what the priests claimed belonged exclusively to them, he and his sons and his daughters and his cattle and even his tent were made a bonfire of, as a warning to all the people in future to give all the gold and silver found in captured cities to the priests. Joshua 7, V. 19-25.

ADULTERY—A popular amusement with Biblical Saints, Abraham with Hagar with Sarah's consent, Gen. 16, V. 1-4. Jacob with his two wives, who by the way, were sisters, and his two maid servants. Gen. 30, V. 1-22. Judah with daughter-in-law, Gen. 38—read the whole chapter—it is more spicy than Maria Monk, the Police Gazette or Byron's suppressed poem, "Forbidden Fruit," or anything that ever appeared in "Murray's BroadSides or Eye openers." Lot and his daughters, Gen. 19, V. 30-37. Samson and the

...ot, Judges, Chap. 16. David and Uriah's wife, 11 Sam. 2-6. Both Abraham and Isaac were willing to sell the virtue of their wives to save themselves from harm, Gen. 12, V. 10-20, and Chap. 26, V. 7.

AMALEKITES—Were an ancient people widely spread throughout the country, lying on the south and east of Palestine, often mentioned in the Jewish Scriptures and celebrated also in Arabian Tradition. Gen. 36, V. 16, 17, V. 8-13. Ex. 17, V. 16. Deut. 25, V. 17. Judges 7, V. 12. 1 Sam. 14, V. 45, also 15 V. 8, 27, V. 9, 30 V. 17. The Fakir Samuel, who is described in the Bible as one of the Prophets of Israel, wishing to pick up a quarrel with Saul, told him to go and utterly destroy Amalek, men, women and children, under the pretence that they had not given the proper hospitality to the children of Israel when they passed by their country on their way from Egypt 400 years previously. The Fakir Samuel not satisfied with the warlike methods of Saul, with his own hands murdered Agag the King of Amalek, who had been taken prisoner by Saul, 1 Sam. 16, V. 38.

ARKS—There are three kinds of Arks mentioned in the Bible, viz., Noah's Ark, the Ark in which Moses is supposed to have been placed on the River Nile, and the Ark in which some of the Symbols of the religion of the Hebrews were "deposited to have been preserved. What became of this Ark—if it ever existed—no one knows. Gen. 6, V. 14-15, etc. 1 Peter 3, V. 20, Hed. 11, V. 7. Ex. 2, V. 3, 25 V. 10, 37 V. 1. Josh. 3, V. 15, 4 V. 11, 6 V. 11. Captured by the Philistines, 1 Sam. 4 V. 5. 1 Sam. Chap. 6, 2 Sam. 6, V. 15-24. 1 Chron. 13, V. 15-16. 1 King's 8, V. 9. 2 Chron. Chap. 5.

ASS—See Balaam and his talking ass, also the account of Jesus and His Historical attempt to capture Jerusalem mounted on an ass, Matt. 21, John 12, V. 14, etc.

ATHEISM AND ATHEIST—Are terms often applied by the Priests to those who do not believe their conception of a God, and too often unfortunately, foolishly accepted by some people who ought to have more common sense. God is simply a term meaning some power superior to man. There is scarcely anyone so presumptuous as to say there are no beings superior to man that may be in some mysterious manner behind the visible phenomenon. That the

Bible conception of God is ridiculous is not a sufficient reason for any sensible person to call himself an atheist. With all due respect to some excellent people who defend atheism I absolutely refuse to accept atheism as an ally to the philosophical rationalist movement as I understand it. Let such people defend themselves, it is no part of my business to do so, unless efforts are being made to inflict corporal punishment on them, in such cases I would take the ground that all the Gods should look after their own honor and defend themselves, and it is no part of my business to defend them. I think what we need is a new God or Goddess to suit modern ideas instead of the Jehovah of the Jews, something after the type of Nemesis of the Greeks. Moreover, the present public excitement is not about whether there is or there is not a God, but whether we shall continue to worship the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and Him only as the only true and living God, which I for one absolutely refuse to do any longer.

ATONEMENT—The root evil of all forms of priesthood, is based particularly by Christians, on Rom. 3, V. 24. This extraordinary turn given was to the death of Jesus, who was originally looked upon as the Messiah expected by the Jews to make them once more an independent nation. Of all human villainies ever perpetrated nothing is more monstrous than the theory that the punishment of one person should make atonement for the real or imaginary sins of another. This is the greatest confidence game ever invented, and the greatest art of the priests for the corruption of the human race, for the more crime the more sacrifices. Where there is no sin there is no need of a priest, therefore it is in the interests of the priest to corrupt the people. In good moral rural communities where crime is practically unknown, priests invent sins to extract fees from the people and that was the origin of the theory of original sin.

BALAAM AND HIS EXTRAORDINARY TALKING ASS—Num. 22, V. 28.

BIBLE—A collection of Hebrew Pamphlets of uncertain authorship and dates, and full of self-contradictions and interpolations, and practically of no value from a historical, scientific or ethical point of view, and it is only useful as an illustration of the credulity of the human race, and how long it takes sometimes to discover a fraud.

BIBLIOLATRY—Not only paralyzes the moral sense, it also corrupts the intellect and introduces a crooked logic by setting men to the duty of extracting absolute harmony out of discordant material. (Newman's *Phases of Faith*, P. 101)

BLASPHEMY—A sin invented by priesthood, which consists of passing derogatory remarks at what they call God. As the priests, including Moses himself, have said the most ridiculous things ever said about God, if there are really such persons as blasphemers, they are really the chief of them. Lev. 24, V. 16. Charged against Jesus, Matt. 9, V. 3, 26, V. 65. Mark 2, V. 7. Luke 5, V. 21. John 10, V. 38.

CAIN—The first born of Adam and Eve, rejected by God because he brought vegetables instead of meat to the Priests for sacrifice, Gen. 4, V. 3-5. This story, like a good many others, was invented by the priests to scare innocent deluded mortals into giving them what they asked for.

CANAANITES—The original natives of Palestine, said in the Bible to be devoted to extermination by Jehovah and their land to be given to the Hebrews, Jos. Chap. 14.

CANNIBALISM IN THE BIBLE—Ezek. 5, V. 10. Lev. 26, V. 29. Lamentations 2, V. 20-21, Chap. 4, V. 10. Deut. 28, V. 53-57. Jer. 19, V. 9. 11 Kings 6, V. 28-29. John 6, V. 58.

CHRIST—(See Jesus).

CHRISTIANITY—A mixture of Pagan Philosophy sifted through an old rusty Hebrew sieve. In the process of sifting the Hebrews sieve got broken, and the rusty pieces got mixed up with the philosophy, from which it has been impossible to separate it ever since. The only way to reform Christianity is to reform it entirely out of existence. It is like the Algebraic term X in equations, an unknown quantity. Sometimes a good man or woman is called a Christian, but as the term is often applied also to the vile and vicious, the term practically has no meaning at all.

CIRCUMCISION—Unnatural mutilation to prevent the spread of disease caused by promiscuous sexual cohabitation of immoral races like the Hebrews and other Semitic tribes.

COMMANDMENTS—It is claimed by the Churches

that those ten commandments are the cream of human wisdom. In the first place I deny that man ever got any command from any being superior to man to worship Him, or her, or to keep any day holy, or to prevent him from carrying an image to express his ideas.

CONTRADICTIONS—(Notable in the Bible). The contradictions in the Bible in the matter of figures and differences of expressions are so numerous that a list of them would make a large pamphlet, so I will only refer to a few of the principal ones, for example, the two genealogies of Jesus, Matt. 1, and Luke 3. In these two no two names are alike, and in reference to this, the strange point is, that a man that had no father should have had a genealogy? Four versions of the Tablet said to have been placed above Jesus at the crucifixion, Matt. 27, V. 87, Mark 16, V. 25, Luke 23, V. 88, John 19, V. 19. In Chron. 21, V. 1, and II Sam. 24, V. 1, we are told of a census being taken of the Hebrews. In one case we are told that God tempted David to do it, and in the other that Satan did it, but the two accounts agree that the people were punished for what either God or Satan tempted David to do, and in which they had nothing to say. In the following passages we are told that no man ever saw God, John 1, 18, 1 Tim. 6, V. 16, John 6, V. 6, Ex. 33, V. 20. On the other hand we are told quite the reverse in the following verses, which give detailed accounts of where and when some people saw the same God, whom we are told most emphatically in the passages previously quoted, no one ever saw—Ex. 24, V. 9-10, Ex. 33, 22-24, Amos 9, 1, Gen. 26, 2, Ex. 33, 11, Ex. 32. We have a very notable contradiction in the teachings attributed to Jesus himself. In Luke 24, V. 26, we are told that a man must hate his father and mother, wife and children, and even his own life, to be a disciple of Jesus, yet in 1 John, 3-15, we are told that whoever hated his brother is a murderer and no murderer has eternal life. These ought to be sufficient to show that the Bible is not a correct book.

CRUELTY TO WOMEN, CHILDREN AND ANIMALS IN THE BIBLE— Num. Chap. 31, Sent. 7-18. If the fabulous ten plagues supposed to have been upon the Egyptians, the animals were said to have been plagued as well as Pharaoh and his people for doing what we are told in several passages of Scripture, their hearts were hardened to do, so that they could not act otherwise, and to say the

least of it, it is a strange conception of God that punishes people for what they cannot help.

DAVID—The man after the Hebrew God's own heart, by some he is described as the worst man in history. It is hard to say which is the worst one, the record of Moses, Joshua or David, judged by a modern humanitarians' conception of humanity; however particulars of David's villainies may be found in the following passages of Holy writ : II Sam. 12, V. 18 ; 1 Chron. 20, V. 8 ; 1 Sam. 18, V. 29 ; II Sam. V. 2-4.

DEATH PENALTY FOR TRIFLING OFFENCE—Inflicted under the law which some foolish people to-day claim is the book from which we derive our modern ideas and liberty. Look up all the following passages and you will see how much liberty we would have if we were really under the law of Moses, as no doubt many of our clergy would bring us if they had their way. Lev. 20, V. 6 ; Deut. 18, V. 1-5 ; Deut. 13, V. 6-10 ; Ex. 31, V. 14-15 ; Num. 15, 32-65 ; Num. 9, V. 13 ; Ex. 12, V. 19 ; Lev. 7, V. 22-25 ; Ex. 80, V. 22-34 ; Ex. 20, V. 31-38 ; Lev. 17, V. 89 ; Lev. 17, V. 2-5 ; Num. 4, V. 15 ; Num. 4, V. 20 ; Ex. 28, V. 34 to the end. Many more passages of the same character might be given, but the above are sufficient for our purposes.

DIVORCE—Deut. 24, V. 1.

DRINK—(Strong). Recommended in the Bible, showing what an unsafe book the Bible is for a text-book for temperance propaganda or any other moral reform. Judges 9, V. 1, Ps. 104, V. 15 ; Prov. 31, V. 6 ; Ecc. 10, V. 19 ; Eph. 5, V. 18 ; 1 Tim. 5, V. 23.

EASTER—A movable holiday to commemorate the fictitious story of the resurrection of Christ. It is a lunar holiday and varies with the phases of the moon and Christian dogmas.

ELIJAH—One of the great prophets of Israel, slays the prophets of Baal (I Kings Chap. 18, V. 38). We have heard a good deal about Elijah's opinions about the prophets of Baal. It would be still more interesting to get the opinion of the prophets of Baal about Elijah.

ELISHA—Another of the great prophets of Israel, and successor to Elijah. Prays God to send bears to destroy a

band of little children (II King; Chap. 2 V. 24). When Elijah, Elisha's predecessor was last seen he was in company with Elisha. When Elisha was next seen he had Elijah's cloak on, and said that Elijah went up to heaven in a chariot of fire. This to say the least sounds suspicious.

EVOLUION—A foolish theory that a great many men that ought to have more sense bother themselves a great deal about. According to this theory all living creatures have evolved from the lowest form of life commonly called "polly-wogs." Man they have discovered to their own satisfaction to have evolved either from the monkey or the monkey's brother. The curious thing about this theory is that since the dawn of human history no monkey has ever been known to evolve into a man.

FLOOD—(See deluge and accounts in Genesis). This whole story is so ridiculous that any comment is superfluous.

GOD—A word which expresses man's idea of some Being superior to himself. Different races of mankind have always had different conceptions of some beings over and above themselves. For a long time the so-called civilized races of Europe and America in particular have wasted a great deal of valuable time discussing the Hebrew conception of a God, which, like the people which invented him, is the worst type of a God in all ancient history. Here are a few specimens of his transactions with mankind. In Ezekiel 14, V. 9; I Kings 22, V. 20-23, and II Thess. Chap. 11, V) 11, we are told that he deceived intentionally the prophets and others. He commands Moses to deceive Pharaoh (Ex. Chap. 3, V. 18) and Samuel to deceive Saul (I Sam. 16, V. 2. In Ex. 31, V. 14 we are told he rested and was refreshed, like one of ourselves, and in Gen. Chap. 8, V. 21 we are told that he was so much pleased with the flavor of roast beef, that he decided not to drown the world any more, and he put a rainbow in the sky to remind himself whenever it rained of the promise he had made not to drown the world any more.

HYPATHIA—The last of the great pagan philosophers put to death by the Christian fanatics. She was murdered by a group of fanatical Monks at the Church door in Alexandria in 415. For nearly a thousand years after this, Christian superstition reigned supreme over the largest parts of Europe, though within 200 years afterwards Mu-homet crushed it out almost entirely in Asia and Africa.

HUMAN SACRIFICES—At one time formed part of the Mosaic dispensation, as we see in Leviticus Chap. 27, V. 28-29, Numbers 81, V. 28. And levy attribute unto the Lord of the men of war which went out to battle, one soul for five hundred, both of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep—take it of their half and give it unto Eliesar the priest for a heave offering unto the Lord. Also V. 40, the Lord's tribute of the captive women, 32 were also sacrificed to the Lord for a heave offering. Notwithstanding no devoted thing that a man shall devote unto the Lord shall be redeemed; none devoted which shall be voted of man shall be redeemed, but shall surely be put to death. (See also Abraham, Jephthah and Saul, 11 Sam. 21, V. 1, 6, 9, 14).

IMMORTALITY—Denied in the Bible (see Eccles. Ch. 8, V. 19). The idea of immortality originated with the heathens from which the Hebrews borrowed it.

JEHOVAH—A synonym for God.

JERUSALEM—Superstitiously called the "Holy City," was always a centre of superstition, fanaticism and crass knavery of the worst kind ever known in history.

JESUS—Taught in parables that he might deceive the people (Mark Chap. 4, V. 11-12, John 12, V. 40). See also Christ and Christianity.

JEWS—The Jews are supposed by Tacitus, and other ancient historians to have originally come from the Island of Crete. The Roman authors generally classified them as haters of the rest of the human race. Herodotus does not mention them at all by name, but he refers to Assyrians of Palestine, which had customs similar to the Colchians and the Egyptians, and one time were supposed to be a remnant of an Egyptian army that was left behind. One of the stories told by Tacitus about them was that they were expelled out of Egypt on account of some loathsome disease, probably leprosy. The sooner we forget them and cease to bother ourselves about them, and devote the time so often wasted in reading their foolish folk-lore, to other more interesting history, the better for ourselves, and probably for the Jews also.

JERICHO—All destroyed by the Hebrews except Rahab the harlot. (Joshua VI., Chap. VI, V. 20). You can try your own conclusions from this story.

JONAH—Was a scolding and a wrathful prophet, who was three days and three nights in the belly of a whale, which not only being able to hold him any longer, vomitted him forth, thereby showing how hard a morsel to digest a prophet must be.

JOSHUA—The successor of Moses, and the exterminator of the Cananites as the story goes, though for myself I don't believe the Hebrews have ever been able to get the upper hand of any really very strong nation (see Jericho, Achan and Rahab).

LOT—The only just man in Sodom and the cities of the Plains, who celebrated his deliverance from destruction by fire and brimstone with Sodom by getting beastly drunk the night after and cohabiting with his own two daughters (see Genesis 19, V. 81).

MAN—The most intelligent, and also the most stupid of all animals. He can build houses, railroads, steamboats, paint and carve, but he also is the only animal that gets drunk and employs a priest.

MIDIANITES—The people who gave hospitality to Moses when he was a fugitive from justice after murdering an Egyptian, and repaid their hospitality afterwards by murdering them wholesale (see Numbers, Chap. 81).

MONOTHISM—The cause of all the religious persecutions of history. When a man makes a dogma of a belief in one God, he takes the first step in persecution, for then he is liable to quarrel with the other man whose idea of the only God may be different from his own.

MOSES—The ideal man of ancient Hebrews, modern Jews and Christians. According to the Jews he was the greatest man that ever lived. According to the Christians he was second only to Jesus, who was both God and man. For illustrations as to his ideas of war and law see references at war, commandments, death penalty, etc.

MURDER—Murder commanded by the Bible God and his unholy prophets (see Ex. Chap. 11, V. 12-27-32), Numbers 81, V. 7 to 10, Chap. 33, V. 52 to 55. Deut. Chap. 11, V. 24 to 34; Chap. 3, V. 3 to 6; Chap. 2, V. 16 and 17. Jos. 6, V. 2 to 21; Chap. 12, V. 24. 1 Sam. 15, V. 32-33.

NOAH—The only just man in the world previous to the deluge, got drunk as soon as the flood was over.

OBSCENE PASSAGES in the Bible not fit to print in

any other book in our day except God's Holy Word (Gen. 19, v. 30 to 38; c. 20, v. 18, c. 25, v. 26, c. 38, v. 9; Ex. 33, v. 28; Lev. 12, v. 3: c. 15, v. 16 to 33, c. 18, v. 7; Deut. 28, v. 1, 12 and 18; c. 25, v. 11 and 12; I Sam. 25, v. 22; II Sam. 11, v. 2 to 8; I Kings 14, v. 10, c. 16, v. 11, c. 21; II Kings 18, v. 27; Job 40, v. 16 and 17; Songs of Solomon 7, v. 1, 2 and 8; Is. 36, v. 12; Ezek. 4, v. 11 and 12, c. 16, v. 28 and 33 to 36, c. 28, v. 8; Hos. 1, v. 2 and c. 3, v. 2; Rom. 1, v. 26 and 27.

PAUL—The founder of the Christian plan of salvation, who was the original propounder of the theory that Christ's death was a sacrifice intended as an atonement for the penalty and curse due to the human race on account of eating that historical apple in the Garden of Eden by our first father and mother (see Atonement.)

PHARAOH—King of Egypt, whose heart the God of the Hebrews had hardened so that he couldn't do what God then wanted him to do, and then punished him for what he could not help. You will see the whole of this story in the beginning of Exodus. I once heard a Methodist preacher declare that Pharaoh defeated God. I then thought that this sounded blasphemous, but the Methodists did not seem to see it.

PILATE—The Roman Governor of Judea at the time of Christ, whom he is said to have condemned to death contrary to the Roman law to please the Jewish priests.

POLYGAMY—Practiced by bible saints and never condemned in the Old Testament (see Abraham, Jacob and David.)

POLYTHEISM—A system of religion much better than Monotheism, whereas it allows everyone to worship or not worship any God that suits the individual fancy.

POSITIVEISM—A system of ethical philosophy, which concerns itself more with the formation of character than discussions of origins and destinies like Christians and so-called Scientists who call themselves Evolutionists.

PRAISE OR FLATTERY—Is now offered to God instead of the smell of roast beef after the priests ate the meat, to influence him to do what you wish. The idea now is that he will be better pleased with a well trained choir and musical instrument than with the smell of roast beef. The cause of the change, however, is the introduction of money, for now the priests can buy the meat to suit himself after you provide the cash.

PRAGMATISM—A new name for old philosophy of practising and teaching what is useful.

PRAAYER—In prayer we praise or flatter God, and expect in return to get something we would not get unless we praised him.

PSALMS—Spiritual songs in which people sometimes indulge in praising their God, and other times in cursing those they don't like (see Ps. 100).

PRIEST—A religious man who pretends that he is the agent on earth representing Superior Beings living in other worlds, and levies toll on his deluded victims instead of waiting for his wages from his employer, as ordinary agents do.

PROPHECIES—We are told that Jesus prophesied the destruction of the world in the lifetime of some people then living, also he prophesied for the benefit of his followers that forsook their legitimate callings or sold their property to put the price in the common purse that they would bye and bye receive ten-fold more houses and lands than they forsook for his sake. This old world fortunately has not yet met with the prophetic catastrophe, and history of the early disciples, if their own accounts may be relied upon, is that instead of houses and lands, they all ended in martyrdom after being chased round from pillar to post by a people who were equally persistent in refusing to listen to their story, as they were persistent in telling it (see Matt. 24 V. 34), etc.

PROPHETS—Were sometimes preachers of righteousness and denied the usefulness of sacrifice, and therefore were not orthodox according to the Mosaic theory, (see Isa. Chap. 1 V. 12-17,) etc.

RAHAB—A harlot, who is said to have betrayed her country and was saved when all the rest of the people were destroyed. Possibly the story refers to the way in which the Jews first got possession of Jerusalem.

RAINBOW—Said to have been put in the sky by God to remind him of his promise made to Noah after smelling that savory smell of roast beef that he would destroy the world no more by water.

ROBBERY—Authorized in the Bible (Gen. Chap. 25, V. 29-34, Chap. 30, V. 30-42, Ex. Chap. 3, V. 21-22, Chap. 11 V. 2-3, Chap. 12, V. 35-36).

REFORMATION—A reactionary movement which went back to Hebrew folklore which the people were forgetting by which the clergy after freeing themselves from the supremacy of the Pope of Rome, tormented the people with their superstition ten times worse than they were before, ultimately ending in great civil war all over Europe, particularly in Germany, where we are told the different factions carried on the work of exterminating each other to such an extent that the population of Germany was reduced in thirty years from 30,000,000 to 12,000,000; it took Germany from the time of Luther to the Franco-German war in 1870 to recover her old place in Europe which she has lost as a consequence of the murdering mania which followed the reformation. It was the same sad story all over Europe, and it was only as the people commenced to get their eyes open to see the absurdity of all this about Jewish folklore, and began to lose faith in the Bible that people began to come to their senses. They are carrying their work on now in a milder way, they don't hit you with a club, or cut your head off for not believing all the foolish stories of the Bible, but they try in many ways to injure the worldly prospect of those who announce their disbelief in the Jewish Bible.

RENAISSANCE—The revival of classical pagan philosophy which occurred simultaneously with so-called Protestant reformation. In the opinion of many great thinkers, the influence of the renaissance for good was much greater than that of the reformation. Indeed, Roman Catholics are not the only people who believe that Protestant reformation was rather a reactionary than a progressive movement.

REVELATION—This title is often given to the ravings of Hebrew fakirs and fanatics, and attributed to God, and in fact it is claimed that this was the only revelation that God ever gave to man.

SABBATH LAWS—Death penalty for trifling offences (see Num. Chap. 15, V. 32-37).

SAMUEL—One of the great prophets of Israel, murders the captive King with his own hands, and prophesies calamities to befall Saul because he acted less cruelly than the bloody prophet would have him to. (Sam. 1, Chap. 13, V. 13, and Chap. 15, V. 16).

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